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Updates from CSN

Happy Holidays!

We hope the CSN community enjoys festivities with family and friends.

As the new year approaches, we also hope everyone experiences good health and success in 2024. Our team at CSN is excited to bring in the new year with a Saxbys social, the upcoming STEM Program, and the continuing 2023-2024 Mentorship Program!

Spotlight: Dragons First E-Board

Martha Z. Victoria
President

- she/her
- Senior (!!)
- Nutrition & Foods Major

"My favorite part of being first gen is experiencing new opportunities for myself and my family!"

Kaylee Wilson
Vice President

- she/her
- Junior
- Sociology & Global Public Health

"My favorite part of being first-gen has been helping to foster first-gen community on Drexel's campus!"



Collective Success Network is proud to support the following campus chapter leaders at Drexel University:

- President: Martha Z. Victoria
- Vice President: Kaylee Wilson
- Event Coordinator: Medhavi Pandit
- Treasurer: Leann Lopez-Ponce

Elliot Felix: "How to Get the Most Out of College"

Last year, the CSN Consortium Chapter invited Elliot Felix to share insights from his research and book on "How to Get the Most Out of College".

You can view the recording [here](#)!

2023-2024 Mentorship Program Update

CSN's holistic and professional mentorship programs -- now expanded to be year-long programs -- kicked off this past October. Hear what mentee **Karena Escalente**, who is finishing her Ph.D. at Drexel University in Education, has to say about her experience so far:

"While getting to know each other, I asked my mentor what professional organizations they were involved with in order to expose myself to other

possible resources. My mentor Chancey provided me with multiple organizations and journals that speak to the field of Higher Education including the free bi-weekly magazine Diverse: Issues in Higher Education.

I enjoyed exploring the various resources and even came across a free upcoming job fair for educators through this site! Thank you to my mentor for sharing your expertise. I am already benefiting from this professional mentorship as I navigate the job market and approach graduation. Here's a [link to the job fair](#) if anyone else is interested."

STEM Program: Upcoming Application Deadline


The CSN STEM career exploration program is a virtual offering in the evenings on Wednesdays during January, that will go over:

- An introduction to networking and requesting informational interviews
- Polishing resumes and LinkedIn profiles
- Identifying transferable skills
- How to leverage professional societies (participants are eligible for reimbursement for student society membership)

The deadline for registration is Friday, December 15, 2023.

Apply today at bit.ly/CSN2024stem!

Chill and Meet at Saxbys


 

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Collective Success Network and Saxbys is inviting first gen college students and professionals for a “Chill and Meet” gathering. A fun time to network, free food, a trivia contest and prizes!

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Friday, January 19th | 6:00 - 7:30pm
Saxbys Drexel, 65 N. 34th St, Phila, PA 19104

 To register and pre-order food, scan the QR code.
Deadline for registration:
Wednesday, January 17th

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Address:

Saxbys at Drexel
65 N 34 St
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Deadline for registration: Wednesday, January 17th

CareerSpring Lunch and Learn Webinars



Our nonprofit partner, CareerSpring, is hosting two valuable webinars to help students getting ready for for job and internship searches.

To participate in the CareerSpring platform as part of the CSN cohort, CSN students can register at [bit.ly/CSNcareerspring!](https://bit.ly/CSNcareerspring)

Here are the CareerSpring webinars being offered in January and February:

- [*Lunch & Learn: Ways to Improve Your LinkedIn Profile*](#)
 - Thursday, January 18 @ 1:30pm EST
- [*Lunch & Learn: Ways to Research the Company You're Interviewing With*](#)
 - Thursday, February 8 @ 1:30pm EST

Interested in being an active member of the CSN community?

For more information, email us at info@collectivesuccess.org or sign up to:

- **Join a campus chapter:** bit.ly/CSNchapters (left QR code)
- **Volunteer:** bit.ly/CSNvolunteering (middle QR code)
- **Donate:** bit.ly/CSNdonation (right QR code)



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